

PRESIDENT TAFT ON COUNTRY LIFE.

He Pictures The Country Home Without The Telephone Far Behind The Times.

"I congratulate the people of North Carolina that next the state of Mississippi, it has a population more devoted to the soil and its cultivation than any other state in the United States. You do not have large cities, and I do not think that a defect at all in your civilization. The fact is that the tendency toward concentration of population in the cities is a tendency that ought to be restrained."

"Country life ought to be made more comfortable and attractive."

The pursuit of agriculture, the profession of farming to day, may well attract the mental and manual activity of men of the highest education, of the highest culture, and of the highest ambition."

It was in these words that President Taft, in the course of his famous "swing around the circle", addressed the people at Wilmington, North Carolina. With the facility of all public men for touching upon something locally of vital interest, he picked out a subject that is very near the hearts of the great rural population. He was following the lead of his strenuous predecessor in office, who focussed public attention upon the farm problem less than a year ago, when appointed a commission to investigate and report upon conditions of country life.

In the opinion of many, Mr. Taft, in again awakening the farm life problem, has "hit the nail on the head." How to keep the boy on the farm—this is but one phase of the great question that has so long occupied the attention of men in public and private life.

The movement to the city of boys bred in the country has always been viewed with considerable alarm.

Such a movement if it became too general would result in two great evils—overcrowding in city slums and lowering the standard of work on the farms.

What's to be done? If young people are discontented at home, and think more opportunities are to be had in the cities; if they find farm work a drudgery and the social life of the country irksome and monotonous, is there not some remedy? To remove the cause of discontent would seem to be the best solution. It may be recorded here that so successful have been efforts to make life on the farms more profitable and attractive that danger of any serious exodus to the cities is a thing of the past.

The farms to-day have many advantages that a generation ago were not known. Most of them are reached by the rural mail, the good roads movement has spread wonderfully, newspapers and farm journals have extended their educative influence, and the rural telephone has organized the great body of farmers and brought them to a better knowledge of each other.

This one agency—the telephone—has done more, perhaps, than anything else to promote the business and home welfare of all the farmers. Through all the great mediums of publicity the truths concerning its power for good have been told to the country population. The Western Electric Company, the largest manufacturer of telephones in the world, distributed instructive literature on the farm telephone subject throughout the rural districts. Farmers were shown how easily rural lines

are constructed, and how great a return such a line gives when viewed only from the standpoint of an investment.

For not only does a rural telephone pay; there are times when its presence confers a benefit that could never be gauged in terms of dollars and cents. For instance, when a physician or a veterinary is wanted in a hurry, the telephone is the only reliable and a quicker-than-lightning messenger. The telephone really increases the efficiency of the farms.

President Taft is merely emphasizing the stand of Mr. Roosevelt, who said:

"If there is one lesson taught by history, it is that the permanent greatness of any state must depend more upon its country population than upon anything else. No growth of cities, no growth of wealth can make up for a loss in either the number or character of the farming population."

Commissioner's Sale.

CRITTENDEN CIRCUIT COURT, KENTUCKY.

ALICE HUGHES LONG, Plff. }
Against
HENRY ESTON HUGHES, Dft. } Equity

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Crittenden Circuit Court, rendered at the November term thereof, 1909, in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Court house door in Marion to the highest bidder at PUBLIC AUCTION, on Monday, the 10th day of January, 1910, at 1 o'clock p. m., or thereabout, (being Court day), upon a credit of six months the following described property, to wit:

A parcel of land in Crittenden county, Ky., near Crayne, and being a part of the land bought by John P. Swansy from Wyatt L. Hunt, May 15, 1899, and the same land conveyed by John P. Swansy to James A. Hughes, on the 24th day of May, 1899, by deed recorded in book 8, page 389, and the interest of L. Bertie Agee, one of the children and heirs of James A. Hughes, having been conveyed to W. R. Cruce, on the 26th day of August, 1909, by deed recorded in book 25, page 192, and bounded as follows:

Beginning at a double white oak, Minner's corner, and also Adams' corner; thence S 36 1-2 E, 99 1-2 poles to a stone; thence South 77 1-2 E, 31 1-4 poles to a stone, with three dogwood pointers; thence South 70 East, 16 poles to a stone in the old Dyeusburg road; thence South 2 West, 5 poles to an elm, Mrs. Crayne's corner; thence with the old Dyeusburg road, South 20 West, 311 poles to a stone in one of the original lines; thence with the original line South 35 1-4 East, 18 1-2 poles to a stone with three elms and two hickories as pointers; thence South 27 West 54 poles to a stake in outer line of the O. V. railroad, (now the I. C. railroad), thence with outer line of O. V. railroad, North 48 West, 115 poles North 36 West 32 poles; North 21 West 23 poles to a small sassafras bush in Alex Minner's line; thence leaving rail road, North 54 East 26 poles to a stone; North 46 West 35 poles to a stone in outer line of O. V. railroad; thence with outer line of O. V. railroad North 70 poles to a stone in another of Minner's lines; thence with same North 58 East 40 poles to the beginning, containing 77 1-8 acres, more or less.

Also a strip of land 8 feet wide, leading from the elm, Mrs. Crayne's

corner, to the Marion and Fredonia road, being the same strip conveyed by Mrs. E. E. Crayne to W. L. Hunt, and by Hunt to said Swansy, and by Swansy to Hughes, which strip is designed for an outlet for said Hughes his heirs and assigns.

For the purchase price the purchaser, with approved security or securities, must execute bond bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid, and having the force and effect of a judgment. Bidders will be prepared to comply promptly with these terms.

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CRITTENDEN CIRCUIT COURT, KENTUCKY.

I. F. WHEELER, et al, Plff. }
Against
ULA WHEELER, et al, Dft. } Equity

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Crittenden Circuit Court, rendered at the November Term thereof, 1909, in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Court-house door in Marion to the highest bidder, at PUBLIC AUCTION on Monday the 10th day of January, 1910, at one o'clock p. m., or thereabout, (being Court day), upon a credit of six months, the following described property, to wit:

Lot, No. 13, in Calvert's addition to the town of Marion, in Crittenden county, Ky., and the same lot conveyed to R. L. Bigham by E. P. Watkins, Commissioner, and by Bettie Bigham, to W. C. Carnahan by deed recorded in Book D, page 307, and by W. C. Carnahan and wife to Mrs. E. G. Wheeler on the 4th day of Feb. 1881, by deed recorded in Book P, page 219, in the Crittenden County Court Clerk's office, and beginning 12 feet east of the S. E. corner of Lot No. 12, said 12 feet being an alley between Lots Nos. 12 and 13, thence N 158 1/2 feet; thence E 99 feet (should be 108 feet to the street) thence S 158 1/2 feet; thence W 99 feet (should be 108 feet) to the beginning. Also a lot in the town of Marion, Ky., lying on the East side of the street opened by R. C. Walker, running North and South through what is known as the N. C. Dean land, and adjoining the North of the said E. G. Wheeler's lot (which is the lot above described, and being the same lot conveyed to Mrs. E. G. Wheeler by Mrs. Josephine Adams and Jos. Adams, her husband, on the 16th day of March, 1893, by a deed recorded in Book 2, on page 303, in the Crittenden County Court Clerk's office, and beginning at a stake in the edge of the street, N W corner, to said E. G. Wheeler's lot (being the lot above described herein) thence S 88 1/2 E, 101 feet with said Wheeler's line to corner of the lot decided to said Adams by R. N. Walker; thence with line of same, N 95 feet to a stake, corner to J. F. Price's lot, thence N 88 1/2 W 101

feet to a stake in said street thence with a line of said street, 95 feet south to the beginning.

For the purchase price the purchaser, with approved security or securities, must execute Bond, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid, and having the force and effect of a Judgment. Bidders will be prepared to comply promptly with these terms.

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CRITTENDEN CIRCUIT COURT, KENTUCKY.

M. K. GORDON, Receiver of the Court in the action of W. C. Morton, Executor of the estate of John C. Morton, Plff. }
Equity.
vs
HELLEN MORTON, HILL, et al Dft.

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Crittenden Circuit Court, rendered at the November term thereof, 1909, in the above cause for the sum of \$1,250.00, with interest at the rate of 8 per cent per annum from the 28th day of February, 1906, until paid, and costs herein, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the court house door in Marion to the highest bidder, at PUBLIC AUCTION, on Monday the 10th day of January, 1910, at 1 o'clock p. m., or thereabout, (being Court day), upon a credit of six months the following property, to wit:

Beginning at a stake or stone in the old Robertson military survey; thence N 48 1-2 W, 248 poles to a stake or stone and sweet gum on bank of Axley creek with hickory

pointers; thence down the creek with its meanders to a stake or stone with three white oak pointers; thence S 48 E, 241 poles to a stake or stone in the original Robertson military line; thence with said line, N 38 E, 74 1-3 poles to the beginning, containing 100 acres, more or less, said land lying and being in the county of Crittenden and State of Kentucky, on the waters of Axley creek, and being the same land conveyed to the defendant, J. B. Polk, by T. L. Taylor and wife by a deed dated the 28th day of February, 1906; of record in the office of the Clerk of the Crittenden county court, in deed book 18, on page 487.

Or sufficient thereof to produce the sums of money so ordered to be made. For the purchase price the purchaser must execute bond, bearing legal interest from day of sale until paid, and having the force and effect of a Judgment. Bidders will be prepared to comply promptly with these terms.

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LITTLE UNION

Getting wood and sitting by the fire, is the order of the day, as it has been quite cool the past few days.

The ponds are all frozen and the boys, and girls as well, have been enjoying themselves in the favorite pastime of skating, for the last few days.

A great many loads of tobacco have passed through this neighborhood the past few days, enroute to Paducah, where it is demanding a very high price.

About all the tobacco being delivered that was sold on the stalk.

Nearly all the corn is about gathered and garnered in its winter quarters.

The Little Union school, under the supervision of Prof. Ira Faith, is progressing finely.

We have established a debating society which meets every Friday night. We have recitations and mi-

nor speeches, besides our debate. The subject for last Friday night was; "Resolved, That Nature is more pleasing to the eye than Art."

The affirmative was championed by Kennedy Wheeler and the negative, by Prof. Robt. Faith, a decision being rendered in favor of the affirmative.

Dr. Herman Willett was out home Sunday, spending the day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Willett, returning to Paducah on the 8 30 train. Dr. Willett is a promising young physician, with a good position in the I. C. Hospital at Paducah, but shortly to go to a higher position at St. Louis.

Over The Postal to Egypt.

Miss Mary Cameron sent a message over the Postal lines from the office in the Record-Press building, last week, to a party in Egypt at a cost of fifty-eight cents a word.

G. H. King has just returned from Ark. with his son Winfred, who has been seriously affected with rheumatism.

G. H. King, of Gladstone, Ky., handed us a dollar for the Record-Press

John King, of Roe, Ark., sent us a dollar for his renewal to the Record-Press last week.

Miss Jennie Robinson, of Nashville Tenn., sent us a dollar for the Record-Press last week.

J. Edger Howerton called last week and handed us \$1.25 for the Record-Press and 100 envelopes with his name and address.

G. S. James handed us a dollar last week for the Record-Press.

Albert Butler, former Representative of Crittenden and Livingston counties, called last week and handed us \$1.25 for the Record-Press and 100 nicely printed envelopes.

C. I. Morgan, a prominent flouring mill man, of Franklin, Ky., while visiting friends in the county, called and had his name added to the rapidly increasing list of the Record Press.

Miss Miriam Travis sent us a dollar last week for the Record-Press.

T. J. Woody handed us a dollar last week for the Record-Press.

We are in receipt of a letter from Peter Kearey, from Beaulieu, Wimbledon Park, Surrey, England, for the Record-Press to be sent him.

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